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South Carolina Peanut Board Donates Special Gift This Holiday Season

COLUMBIA, S.C. – The South Carolina Department of Agriculture (SCDA) is pleased to announce that the South Carolina Peanut Board has donated 1,440 jars of peanut butter to Families Helping Families, an initiative of Palmetto Project.

This generous donation comes at a very important time of the year when many children who normally receive breakfast and lunch at school, would go without if it weren't for special donations like this one. Peanut butter is a great source of protein and peanuts have over 30 essential vitamins and nutrients.

"The South Carolina Peanut Board is thrilled to be able to help local families this holiday season. We couldn't think of a better gift to give for a family in need. We feel blessed to be in a position to donate and share what we take for granted every day," said South Carolina Peanut Board Chairman, Richard Rentz.

Families Helping Families is in its 24th year and in 2013 provided assistance to more than 3,000 families in need throughout the Lowcountry and the Midlands.

SC Peanut Growers produced over 107,000 acres of peanuts in 2014. The top three producing counties in South Carolina are Orangeburg, Calhoun, and Horry.

For more information, please contact Marianne Copelan, SCDA Marketing Specialist, at mcopelan@scda.sc.gov.



South Carolina Peanut Board Vice Chairman Harry Wimberly (left) and Chairman Richard Rentz, deliver the 1,440 jars of peanut butter to Families Helping Families.